

I am appalled at the decision by Sinclair Broadcasting to preempt regular programming and air a biased piece of political garbage on all its stations, and they cover almost 25% of the American households.

They use the public airwaves and have a duty to serve the public interest. It is a perfect example of the dangers of media consolidation.

It is also a perfect example of why there used to be a federal regulation about guaranteeing opposite points of view (remember the fairness in media regulation that was abandoned during the Regan era).

This outrageous example of electioneering by the largest media giant in the nation is proof positive that similar regulations should be re-enacted. And it represents a real threat to our democratic process.

The license renewal process must take this sort of blatantly illegal activity into account. Media ownership rules need to be tightened, not relaxed, as has been the trend recently.

Sincerely,

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